## **DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION**

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE LEVEL IN A COKE DRUM, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked: or PCT International Application number \_, as United States Application number\_ [ ] was filed on\_ and was amended on (if applicable). I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in title 37, code of Federal Regulation, §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 (a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. NONE **Priority Claimed** Yes \_\_\_ No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Country) (Number) Yes \_\_\_ No (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Country) (Number) I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed 03/19/01 60/276,856 (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Application Number) (Filing Date) I hereby claim the benefit under title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application. NONE. (Filing Date) (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Number) (Status-patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Number) (Filing Date) I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: Richard L. Moseley REG. # 32,482

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS (37 CFR 1.9(f) AND 1.27(b)) - INDEPENDENT INVENTOR

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that I qualify as an independent inventor as defined in 37 CFR 1.9(c) for purposes of paying reduced fees under 35 USC §41(a) and (b), to the Patent and Trademark Office with regard to the invention entitled: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE LEVEL IN A COKE DRUM

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